

**Child Welfare Employee Licensure Board
Meeting Minutes
November 19, 2014
Joliet, Illinois**

Board Members Present

Karen Major
Debra Dyer
Tiffany Johnson
Judi Bradley
Mary Ochman-Ahmed
Jeanne Flynn
Hope Carbonaro

Members Absent:

Mikal Rasheed

Others Present

Janet Ahern, DCFS Legal
Christi Sullivan, CWEL Office

Meeting was called to order by Karen Major at 10:14 a.m.

Welcome/Introduction:

Christi welcomed members and explained that we had several cases to discuss during closed session.

Approval of Minutes:

The minutes were not available for approval. They will be presented at the next meeting.

New Business:

Christi Sullivan requested suggestions for Mikal Rasheed's replacement on the board. Mikal's term ended October. The replacement needs to be university faculty. Any suggestions should be sent to Joyce or Christi.

Adam Avrushin resigned from the board due to taking a new position with an agency that was not a child welfare agency. Adam's replacement should be someone from a private child welfare agency. Suggestions should be sent to Joyce or Christi.

Rule 412 Update:

Christi Sullivan updated the board members on the status of Rule 412. The revisions are moving forward. The revisions are at JCARE now.

Karen Major asked for a motion to close the meeting to review case files. Jeanne Flynn moved to close the meeting to discuss case files. Mary Ochman-Ahmed seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. Vote: Unanimous. Meeting was closed at 10:35 a.m.

Closed Session:

ELRT Report:

Christi Sullivan provided an overview of cases brought to ELRT. There were two (2) Emergency Licensure Review Team (ELRT) teleconferences. Seven (7) cases were discussed. Seven (7) were opened for investigation by the OIG, Five (5) were approved to take to the board.

Seven (7)) cases were brought to the CWEL Board. Seven (7) cases were brought to the board for consideration of suspension. Four (4) licenses were suspended; Two (2) cases were tabled for further discussion; one (1) case had no action at this time.

Closed session was adjourned at 12:37 p.m.

Open Session:

Next Meeting:

The meeting schedule for 2015 was discussed. The 2015 Board meeting dates are below:

January 12, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.- Teleconference to hear cases only

March 9, 2015 at 10 a.m. Bloomington

June 8, 2015 at 10 a.m. in Joliet

September 14, 2015 at 10a.m. in Bloomington

December 14 at 10 a.m. in Joliet

Adjournment:

Hope Carbonaro moved to adjourn the meeting. Judi Bradley seconded the motion. Vote: Unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.